

RABORN CONFIRMED AS C.I.A. DIRECTOR

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(AP)—The Senate gave quick and unanimous confirmation today to William Francis Raborn, retired vice admiral in the Navy, as Director of Central Intelligence.

The action came by voice vote shortly after Admiral Raborn and Richard M. Helms, nominated to be deputy administrator, had won similar approval from the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Admiral Raborn and Mr. Helms were questioned at open and closed sessions of the committee earlier today.

Admiral Raborn, 59 years old, a Texan and former naval submarine and missile expert, has been a vice president of Aerojet-General Corporation, a large defense contractor, since his retirement as a three-star admiral Sept. 1, 1963.

He told senators that he would dispose of any stocks or securities on a confidential list he submitted to them if they suggested this. He promised to sever all business ties.

Admiral Raborn also promised to keep the special CIA oversight committees of Congress "fully and currently informed" both of intelligence activities and programs and administration of the agency.

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